

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-01278-CKK**

LEOPOLD et al v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE et al  
Assigned to: Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 05/02/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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V.

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**Defendant**

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**Defendant**

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**Defendant**

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**Defendant**

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| Date Filed | #        | Docket Text                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| 05/02/2019 | <u>1</u> | COMPLAINT against DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6097749) filed by JASON LEOPOLD, BUZZFEED INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Summons)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/02/2019) |
| 05/03/2019 |          | Case Assigned to Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. (zef, ) (Entered: 05/03/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 05/03/2019 | <u>2</u> | SUMMONS (7) Issued Electronically as to DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zef, ) (Entered: 05/03/2019)                                                                               |
| 05/09/2019 | <u>3</u> | ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE COLLEEN KOLLAR-KOTELLY. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on 5/9/19. (DM) (Entered: 05/09/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 05/15/2019 | <u>4</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Matthew Topic on behalf of BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/15/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 05/15/2019 | <u>5</u> | LCvR 26.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/15/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>6</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL served on 5/14/2019 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| 05/23/2019 | <u>7</u>  | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL served on 5/14/2019 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>8</u>  | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL served on 5/14/2019 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>9</u>  | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION served on 5/13/2019 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>10</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 05/14/2019. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>11</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 5/14/2019. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 6/13/2019. (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 05/23/2019 | <u>12</u> | RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 5/14/2019 (Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 05/23/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 06/13/2019 | <u>13</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Courtney Danielle Enlow on behalf of All Defendants (Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 06/13/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 06/13/2019 | <u>14</u> | ANSWER to Complaint by DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C, # <u>4</u> Exhibit D, # <u>5</u> Exhibit E, # <u>6</u> Exhibit F, # <u>7</u> Exhibit G, # <u>8</u> Exhibit H, # <u>9</u> Exhibit I, # <u>10</u> Exhibit J, # <u>11</u> Exhibit K, # <u>12</u> Exhibit L)(Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 06/13/2019) |
| 06/14/2019 | <u>15</u> | ORDER. The parties shall file the schedule not later than <b>JULY 14, 2019</b> . See Order for further details. Signed by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly on June 14, 2019. (lcckk1) (Entered: 06/14/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 06/14/2019 |           | Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Meet & Confer Statement due by 7/14/2019. (dot) (Entered: 06/14/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 07/03/2019 | <u>16</u> | MOTION to Consolidate Cases <i>with CNN v. FBI, No. 19-1626</i> by DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>2</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 07/03/2019)                                                                                                                                                            |
| 07/03/2019 | <u>17</u> | Memorandum in opposition to re <u>16</u> MOTION to Consolidate Cases <i>with CNN v. FBI, No. 19-1626</i> filed by BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order Proposed Order)(Topic, Matthew) (Entered: 07/03/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 07/10/2019 | <u>18</u> | REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>16</u> MOTION to Consolidate Cases <i>with CNN v. FBI, No. 19-1626</i> filed by DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 07/10/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 07/15/2019 | <u>19</u> | Memorandum in opposition to re <u>16</u> MOTION to Consolidate Cases <i>with CNN v. FBI, No. 19-1626</i> filed by CABLE NEWS NETWORK, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A Order in 15-mc-1188)(Tobin, Charles) (Entered: 07/15/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 07/15/2019 | <u>20</u> | Joint STATUS REPORT by DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 07/15/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 07/16/2019 | <u>21</u> | SUPPLEMENTAL MEMORANDUM to re <u>19</u> Memorandum in Opposition <i>to Motion to Consolidate</i> filed by CABLE NEWS NETWORK, INC.. (Tobin, Charles) (Entered: 07/16/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 07/22/2019 | <u>22</u> | REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>16</u> MOTION to Consolidate Cases <i>with CNN v. FBI, No. 19-1626</i> filed by DOJ DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL, DOJ OFFICE OF SPECIAL COUNSEL, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Enlow, Courtney) (Entered: 07/22/2019) |
| 08/06/2019 | <u>23</u> | NOTICE of Appearance by Merrick Jason Wayne on behalf of BUZZFEED INC., JASON LEOPOLD (Wayne, Merrick) (Entered: 08/06/2019)                                                                                                                                                                                         |